BMIS Arts Reflection work

Answer any two of the following questions, approximately 200 words for each question

1. How much can we learn about the past for the history of Art?                       History
2. To what extent do the arts help us to see the world with new eyes?             Perception
3. Is art the language of emotion?                                                                      Emotion
4. What role does creative imagination play in the sciences?                            Natural Sciences

**3. Is art the language of emotion?**

[](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Vincent_van_Gogh_-_Zonnebloemen_-_Google_Art_Project.jpg)Of course, the answer is yes, art is the language of emotion. Art is as a message to communicate between the artists and the audiences, artists use different forms (music, painting or play.etc) to express their real emotion, the audiences get the emotion through sense perception and the artists are trying to evoke the audiences who may experience the same feeling. For example, a very famous artist, Vincent van Gogh, he is a very autistic, introverted person, he don’t have a wife and any friends. His whole life is tragic and loneliness. But he put all his emotion into the art pieces and using art as the language of emotion and transmits his emotion to the audiences. You can see from a painting called “Vase with Twelve Sunflowers”, the sunflowers represent him; sunflowers always toward the sun and sun represent heat, light and happiness. He using bright colors gives us a warm feeling and the emotion he tries to convey by this painting is he yearning for a happiness life.Why they express emotion through art rather than in word? Because the language of art is international, everyone can understand the message, there is no barrier in art, but in word, in this world there are many different languages, there is a barrier between communications of different people, so art is the better way of express emotion.

**2. To what extent do the arts help us to see the world with new eyes?**

I think the art does a large extent to help us to see the world with new eyes. When you are looking at a piece of art, you are observing in the perspective of somebody else, which is not your perspective or your eyes, thus that you perceive the world through new eyes. A piece of art usually has a deeper meaning behind, since everyone has different perspectives on the world, art is a form of impression concerning these perspectives and allows us to experience the world in a different way. For example, Picasso's most famous work is his representation of the German bombing of Guernica during the Spanish Civil War—the art piece called “Guernica”. This large canvas embodies for many the inhumanity, cruelty and hopelessness of war. The shape and position of the bodies express protest. Picasso uses black, white, and grey paint to [](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:PicassoGuernica.jpg)set a grave mood and express pain and chaos. Glowing buildings and collapse walls not only express the destruction of Guernica, but reflect the destructive power of civil war. We can view the war in different perspective and see the war with new eyes.

**Source:**

Vincent van Gogh: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vincent_van_Gogh>

Pablo Picasso: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pablo_Picasso>

Picture:

Vase with Twelve Sunflowers:

<http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/4/46/Vincent_Willem_van_Gogh_127.jpg>

Guernica: <http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/en/7/74/PicassoGuernica.jpg>